



March 2, 2016

The Honorable Tom Wheeler
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: GN Docket No. 13-5, Technology Transitions; GN Docket No. 12-353, AT&T Petition to Launch a Proceeding Concerning the TDM-to-IP Transition; WC Docket No. 05-25, Special Access for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers.

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

As the Chief Operating Officer of Travel Leaders Group – the largest traditional travel agency group in North America comprised of more than 6,500 travel agencies and over 40,000 travel agents – I am writing to express our appreciation to the Federal Communications Commission for its efforts to ensure consumers have more choices for broadband services.

While most of the agencies under our umbrella are independently owned and operated, all Travel Leaders Group agencies must communicate quickly and frequently with the millions of clients for whom we collectively work. That means our agencies are completely reliant on competition among broadband services and telecommunications to not only keep our costs in check, but also to maintain a high level of communications our clients expect in the event the unexpected occurs.

We join with others in expressing how choice and competition foster innovation, investment and lower prices. As technology transitions and more services move to IP based solutions, all of us within Travel Leaders Group encourage you and the FCC to protect the wholesale access market. By keeping the marketplace open to greater competition, the FCC will help ensure that businesses like ours have the power to select the broadband provider that is the most appropriate fit for our needs and growth.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Zifur", written over a horizontal line.

David L. Zifur

cc: Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
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Commissioner Ajit Pai
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